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The individual whose signature and title is supplied below is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee

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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V.

Application No./Patent No.: _____ Filed/Issue Date: Concurrently

Entitled: METHOD FOR LIMITING THE NUMBER OF NETWORK DEVICES IN A COMMUNICATION NETWORK

Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V., a corporation
(Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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PATENT APPLICATION
(37 CFR 1.63)**

Declaration Submitted With Initial Filing Declaration Submitted after Initial Filing (surcharge (37 CFR 1.16 (e)) required)

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| Attorney Docket Number | | PHUS020481 |
| First Named Inventor | | LASZLO HARS, LASZLO |
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| Group Art Unit | | |
| Examiner Name | | |

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

LIMITING THE SIZE OF A NETWORK

the specification of which *(Title of the Invention)*

is attached hereto

OR

was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims as amended specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

| Prior Foreign Application Number(s) | Country | Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY) Country | Priority Not Claimed | Certified Copy Attached? | |
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| VIII-2-1 (ix) | This declaration is made for the purposes of: | all designations |